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Customer No. 22,852
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Kazutaka AKIYAMA) Group Art Unit: 2818
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Serial No.: 10/690,620) Examiner: A. Huynh
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Filed: October 23, 2003)
) Confirmation No.: 5939
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)
MANUFACTURING METHOD)
THEREOF)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated January 7, 2005, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I, claims 1-8, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to a device, and Group II, claims 9-18, characterized by the Examiner as being drawing to a method. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-8, without traverse.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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